IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Cr.Misc. No.37513 of 2008

1. BINOD DAS
2. Ambika Mahato … … Petitioners

Versus

THE STATE OF BIHAR … … Opp. Party

For the petitioners: Shri Brij Kishore Mishra
For the State: Shri Dashrath Mehta, APP

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2. 12.11.2008 Heard.

The petitioners' earlier prayer for bail was dismissed by Annexure-1 on the ground that they were members of the group which was carrying 75 K.Gs. of Ganja. In fact, the earlier rejection order indicates as if the recovery was from the possession of the petitioners. Considering the recovery, I am not inclined to reconsider the prayer for bail.

The petition is dismissed.

However, the Court is concerned about the slow speed at which the trial is proceeding. I am extremely desirous of directing the court below to issue notice to the Officer-in-charge of Sikta Police Station attaching thereto the list of witnesses so that the Officer-in-charge could contact the Commandant of the Senior

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Superintendent of Police seeking production of those witnesses before the court below for an early hearing and disposal of the case. At any rate, the case could be disposed of within one year from the date of production/ receipt of a copy of the present order, else, the petitioner could be free to renew his prayer.

(Dharnidhar Jha, J.)

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